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S&H Form: (01/03) Attorney Docket No. 826.1335C Application Number 09/785,269 REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date February 20, 2001 FEE TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor Kensaku IMAI, et al. Group Art Unit 1631 AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$410.00 **Examiner Name** John S. Brusca FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03) Highest Number Previously Paid For CLAIMS AS Claims Remaining Number AMENDED After Amendment Extra Rate Calculations TOTAL CLAIMS 9 20 = 0 X \$ 18.00 =0.00 INDEPENDENT 4 = 0 X \$ 84.00 = 0.00 4 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of March 9, 2003, petition is hereby made for an \$410.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970)): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320.00) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00) Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) Total of above Calculations = 410.00 Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) TOTAL FEES DUE = 410.00 (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT \boxtimes Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** N If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935 STAAS & HALSEY LLP Deposit Account Name Ø The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP Typed Name William F. Herbert Reg. No. 31,024 Signature Date ©2003 Staas & Halsey LLP

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DNA BASE SEQUENCE

LETTER TO THE EXAMINER REQUESTING APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE DRAWINGS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Kindly approve the corrections to FIGS. 3, 4, 9, 10 and 17 in the drawings of the above-referenced application, as indicated in <u>red</u> on the attached copies, in accordance with the Response filed on even date herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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